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**SUBJECT** Stendal Airfield

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[redacted] a report on the construction work now under way at Stendal airfield. A sketch of the airfield area is appended.

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## CONSTRUCTION

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### 1. Appendix.

[redacted] the airfield plan JIB 5/36/85 October 52 on which the undermentioned observed features have been marked is attached at Appendix "A".

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- KEY:
1. Railway ramp used by the civilian contractor.
  2. Hangar housing vehicles and equipment of BAU UNION BRANDENBURG.
  3. Air traffic control building housing offices of BAU UNION BRANDENBURG.
  4. Hangar used for the storage of coal, timber etc., by the civilian contractor.
  5. Hangar housing the vehicles and equipment of VEB Bagger and Foerder Betriebe BERLIN and MAGDEBURG.
  6. Barrack blocks used as accommodation for German workmen.
  7. Wooden fence enclosing the barracks area occupied by Russian troops.
  8. Entrance to the airfield used by the civilian contractor.
  9. Eastern end of the strip levelled for runway/overshoot.
  10. Approx. alignment of runway.

### 2. Runway

A strip approx. 220 m wide is being levelled for an EAST WEST runway and bordering strips

- (a) The EASTERN end of the levelled area is at approx. map reference PD 921-352.
- (b) To date the levelled area has been extended westwards to approx. Easting PD 894. It will eventually be extended ending to the EAST of the village of SCHERNICKAU (PD 874 346).
- (c) The strip being levelled for the runway is 80 m wide and has a camber of 40 cms. A strip 20 m wide along the NORTHERN edge of the runway and a strip 120 m wide along the SOUTHERN edge of the runway are also being levelled.
- (d) The removed top soil is being collected in dumps to the NORTH of the levelled area. Any clay excavated is also being dumped there and is later spread on the levelled strips adjoining either side of the runway.
- (e) Considerable excavation is required on the section either side of Easting PD 910, where the proposed runway crosses a hill. Maximum depth excavated here along the NORTHERN edge of the runway is 200 cms and along the SOUTHERN edge 120 cms. The soil removed there is used to raise the WESTERN and EASTERN sections of the runway. To date the level of the EASTERN end of the runway/overshoot has been raised by 40 cms. After rolling, a further layer of 40 cms is now being dumped.
- (f) Earth movements are due to be completed by 15 December 56.

### 3. Civilian Contractors

- (a) The senior contractor on this airfield is BAU UNION (ITB) BRANDENBURG.
- (b) The two sub-contractors responsible for earth movements are the BERLIN and MAGDEBURG branches of VEB Bagger and Foerder Betriebe.

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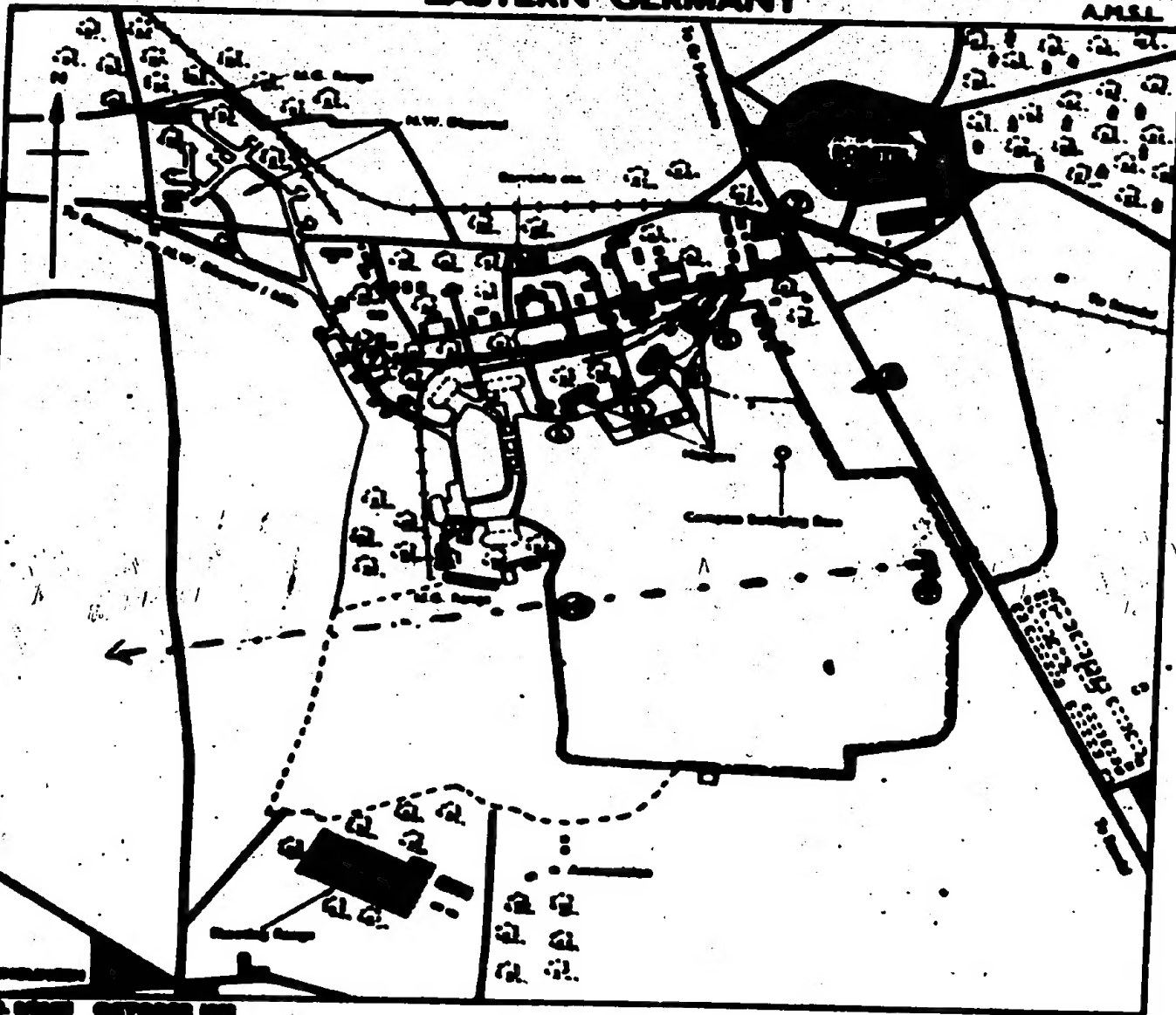
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Appendix A

52° 38' 00" N.  
11° 50' 00" E.

**STENDAL**  
**EASTERN GERMANY**

**ELEVATION**  
**180 FT.**  
**A.M.S.L.**



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